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FM AMEMBASSY LUSAKA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5662

C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 1333

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: CASC, AO, ZA
SUBJ: WHEREABOUTS OF WASHINGTON POST REPORTER LEON DASH

REF: STATE 110638

1. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE, DASH WAS REPORTEDLY ALIVE AND WELL AS OF LAST WEEK. OUR SOURCE SAYS DASH AND THOSE HE IS WITH INTEND TO CROSS BORDER FROM ANGOLA TO ZAMBIA TODAY, MAY 17. ONCE ACROSS THE BORDER, THEY PLAN TO PROCEED TO KALABO BY FOOT--AT LEAST A TWO DAY WALK THROUGH SWAMPY TERRAIN. FROM THERE THEY PLAN IS TO PROCEED TO MONGU, ARRIVING FRIDAY OR SATURDAY. AT MONGU THEY HOPE TO CATCH A BUS FOR THE ONWARD TRIP TO LUSAKA, HOPEFULLY ARRIVING SUNDAY. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD DASH WILL BE PUT IN CONTACT WITH THE EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY ON HIS ARRIVAL.

2. WE UNDERSTAND AND SHARE POST'S CONCERN ABOUT DASH. REGRETFULLY, WE CANNOT BE SURE THAT OUR INFORMATION IS RELIABLE, AND BELIEVE DEPARTMENT SHOULD TELL POST AS MUCH. HOWEVER, WE SEE NO REASON WHY OUR SOURCE WOULD ELABORATE DASH'S PLANNED MOVEMENTS IN SUCH DETAIL IF HIS INTENTION WERE TO MISLEAD. SUNDAY ARRIVAL IN LUSAKA COULD PROVE OVERLY OPTIMISTIC GIVEN THE DISTANCES AND UNCERTAINTY OF TRANSPORT.

3. WE WILL INFORM DEPARTMENT IMMEDIATELY OF FIRST CONTACT WITH
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